

### DECEMBER WORSHIP AND SPECIAL SERVICES

**Sunday, December 7, 9:30 and 11:00 AM**

***“Love Your Neighbor As Yourself”***

We begin a month-long focus on teachings from the Christian tradition with a consideration of one of the great commandments of Jesus. To truly love our neighbors requires knowing about love, and about ourselves, both of which are extremely complicated. A good exercise for this season of giving.

**Sunday, December 14, 9:30 and 11:00 AM**

***“Love Your Enemy As Well”***

Much of human history and our own stories make this commandment seem not only impractical but ridiculous, even dangerous. And it has never been more relevant than it is today.

**Saturday, December 20, 7:00 PM**

***Yule/Winter Solstice Worship***

For this celebration of the Winter Solstice, we invite you to bring things to briefly share: a little story, poem, song, reading or altar object expressing what this Longest Night of the Year means to you. Please also bring finger foods to share.

The Yule Gathering is hosted by the Wheel of the Year group. We gather to celebrate eight special points on the Earth's annual dance around the sun: The two solstices, the two equinoxes and the four cross-quarter days in between. For more information: Cliff Pereira at 541-753-9224

**Sunday, December 21, 9:30 and 11:00 AM**

***“Winter Darkness and Light”***

Darkness and light need each other, just like people do. This service includes participation by all ages, multi-generational music and sharing, and winter holiday cheer.

**Wednesday, December 24, 7:00 PM**

***Christmas Eve Candlelight Service***

Join with other Fellowship folk of all ages—families, friends, and visitors—to hear traditional and not-so-traditional Christmas stories, carols, and readings, including our traditional rendition of *“Silent Night/Peace on Earth.”* A special offering will be collected in support of our U-U partners around the world.

**Sunday, December 28, 9:30 & 11:00 AM**

***“Unitarian Christianity: Lessons from our Partners”***

The oldest forms of Unitarianism are liberal Christianities, many of which are still strong and vibrant around the world. Our partner congregation in Transylvania is part of this living tradition, as are new Unitarian movements in several African countries. What can we learn from these partners?

**7:00 PM**

**Monthly Vespers Service**

Meditation and Music for the Season of Giving

Religious Exploration for Children and Youth is offered at 11:00 AM on Sunday  
Childcare for Infants and Toddlers if offered at both services.  
**Children and Youth are welcome at all services.**

## Between Us . . .



Over the past decade or so, I've come to think of the winter holiday season simply as a season of giving. Not so much a season of gifts, for I shudder to think of the piles of wrapped presents which enthralled me as a child. This season of giving is much less about things and much more about my connections to other people and to the ideals I work

for. In my own family, many years ago we started a tradition of drawing names out of a hat so that each family member focused on one gift for only one other member of the family, which helped us build meaningful connections with each other over the years. In addition, we began to choose a family project each year, such as supporting a local food bank or an international wildlife preservation fund. Together we decided how much to give so that our contribution could really make a difference.

This kind of alternative giving is what is most important to me now, and I want to invite you to consider it too. We could even join our efforts to do alternative giving. For example, we could work together to raise an entire "Ark" for Heifer International (a \$5000 contribution), the organization which boosts local economies in many countries by providing livestock for individual families. Or, we could focus together on our U-U partners around the world, in Transylvania and also in Africa and Asia. Supporting the work of these partners in their own communities, we are involved in addressing literacy, civil rights and democracy, domestic violence, HIV/AIDs, LGBTQ rights, and perhaps most importantly the health and

growth of liberal religious congregations which can serve their communities into the future. The offering at our Christmas Eve Service will be one way to join in this giving to support our partners.

Most important of all is what we can give to each other by our presence, by listening, and by caring. Holiday gatherings can be times to catch up, to reflect on the year, to share memories and stories. Maybe the best gifts will be invitations to sit for tea and get to know someone better, or to share a simple meal and pause to really listen to each other. We could think and talk together about some of the great lessons from the Christian tradition, such as what it really means to love your neighbor as yourself, or how forgiveness can be life-giving.

There is such beauty in this season—from the contrasts of darkness and light, from the anticipation of seeing family and friends, from the joy of giving. And all of these sources of beauty can also be hard in many ways, so my hope for us as a religious community is that we can be sources of comfort to those in need. May you know the peace and joy, the love and the hope which are always possible in this season of giving.

See you Sunday - *Jill*

### Living with Loss

A meeting for any and all who are working through illness, grief, loss of loved ones, and life transitions; facilitated by Jill McAllister. There will be one meeting this month, on Wednesday, December 10 at 7:00 PM

### WORDS FOR REFLECTION

*We meet on Holy Ground, for that place is holy where we meet each other.*

*Where lives touch, where love moves, where hope stirs.*

*How strong is our need for one another: our silent beckoning to our neighbors, our invitations to share life and death together, our welcome into the lives of those we meet, and their welcome into our own.*

*Let us rejoice in the meeting, let us sing and joyful together, and let us give thanks.*



**Remember to Fill the Baskets for the South Corvallis Food Bank**

Cereal, cold or hot, raisins or other packaged dried fruits

Contact Martha Clemons at 541-757-9627.

## Lay Ministry and Pastoral Care: Renewing our Vision

Some years ago, a lay ministry program was instituted in the Fellowship around the time of a ministerial sabbatical. A number of Fellowship members were trained by the minister, and each chose an area of Fellowship life in which to take on more responsibility, especially while the minister was gone. The work of this cadre of Lay Ministers enhanced the ongoing pastoral care work of the Caring Connection, so that the many needs of Fellowship members and friends were tended to and cared for. This year, we have four lay ministers whose commitment to service was renewed last spring, with the understanding that they would focus on pastoral care. They are Lorene Hales, Nancy Lindsey, Jesse Ford, and Sheila Smith. Together they help Jill and the Caring Connection.

Since the first Lay Ministry training, our understandings of and needs for Lay Ministry have been changing, as the world changes and with it the life of the Fellowship. This year we are undertaking a time of renewal and visioning for pastoral and spiritual care within the Fellowship community, in the context of a fragile earth and all that is needed for us to live well in these times. Diana Vezmar-Bailey, an ordained minister with experience in congregational pastoral care, has agreed to lead these efforts to review our current programs and needs, and increase our capacity to provide broader and deeper sources of support and care among us. This will include skills training in pastoral and spiritual care, and in how to be a good companion on the religious and spiritual journey. All who are interested are welcome to join in this process, beginning with a visioning process on Saturday, January 17, described below.

### Pastoral Care for Times Such as These

Saturday, January 17, 9:00 AM to Noon

We will honor where we have been, note where we are now, and assess our pastoral care needs in order to meet the spiritual needs of the members of our congregation. Others are invited to join with current lay ministers and the Caring Connection for this visioning opportunity.

### UUFC Emergency Aid Fund

The Fund is for members and friends of the Fellowship in a time of need. It is intended for a one-time emergency when assistance is not available through any other sources. Examples are: food, shelter, utilities, medical prescriptions or transportation to get to a job or job interview.

All inquiries are kept confidential. To make a request contact EAF Committee Chair Judy Malouf 541-740-4805, or Rev. Jill McAllister 541-752-5218.

### From the Director of Music

A big day for music at the UUFC will be December 14th. It is the second Sunday, so there will be drop-in choir, and we also have a special guest string quartet appearing at the Sunday morning services. In the afternoon the choir will present a "Musical Celebration," revisiting many of the anthems you have heard since September, and including some new and very interesting pieces (in languages we guarantee you have never heard) for the first time. You will also have an opportunity to sing along, because while hearing music is great, making music is even better. Just ask anyone in the choir!

In case you want even more music, the following week the choir will be teaming up with the children and youth in the RE program to sing together at the service on December 21st. I am very excited for the music program to collaborate with the RE program. Making music together is wonderful way for to build bridges within the many parts of our Fellowship, and remind us that we are one organization all working towards common goals. "Explore. Love. Act."

Speaking of which, another opportunity to make music together will be the 2nd Annual Holiday Sing-Along on December 21st at 7:00 PM. This will be open to anyone in the community who wants to sing along to some traditional holiday carols (with traditional lyrics!). All ages welcome! Bring friends and come and enjoy a warm and cozy evening of holiday carols and refreshments!

## Children's Religious Exploration

Lessons in December focus on Christianity

Calendar for children in 1 <sup>st</sup> through 6 <sup>th</sup> grades	
December 7	The Nativity Story
December 14	Jesus the Healer, Hope & New Life
December 21	Multigenerational Worship
December 28	No RE (Yes-infant/toddler care)

## Youth Religious Exploration

December 21 – Multigenerational Worship

December 28 – No RE (Happy Holidays!)

**Middle School Coming of Age:** The deadline for 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> graders to register is Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. Contact Michael for more information [molk@uucorvallis.org](mailto:molk@uucorvallis.org) 541-752-5218x225

**YRUU (High School)** Thanks in large part to our long-term, committed volunteer advisors, we have a large high school youth group, YRUU (Young Religious Unitarian Universalists). This year, the youth and advisors together are learning about the world's great religions, following the same schedule as children's RE and our worship services. Hopefully this can provide opportunities for deeper connections between youth, adults and children in the congregation. If you have an opportunity, I encourage you to strike up a conversation with someone of a different age. Ask them what they've learned about Hinduism or Judaism so far this year, and how that relates to what they believe.

The youth group also provides a safe space, emotionally and psychologically, for youth to express their joys and concerns, and feel heard and respected by their peers and other adults. Approximately one-third of the youth currently attending YRUU did not grow up UU, and have come to Unitarian Universalism and the Fellowship of their own accord, invited by friends. It is a valuable service our Fellowship provides, for youth who are seeking support and a faith which resonates with their own understandings and experiences. For Unitarian Universalism to remain a relevant and 'living' faith, depends in large part on the next generation finding and identifying with our Unitarian Universalist values, principles, and congregations. We can be proud that our Fellowship is providing such a home!

~Michael Molk

## Adult Religious Exploration

**World Religions** continues with Christianity as the focus for December. Jill leads the overview class on 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays (December 9) at 7:00 PM and Patti White leads the discussion on 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays (December 16) at 7:00 PM. Contact Patti at [pwhite@proaxis.com](mailto:pwhite@proaxis.com).

**Over 65 Group:** Share experiences, challenges, goals and develop friendly relationships. Contact Carolyn Madsen, [carolynzac@comcast.net](mailto:carolynzac@comcast.net) to be added to the email list. The next meeting "How to Thrive During the Holidays" will be Tuesday, December 16 at 2:00 PM in the Social Hall. All are invited to bring a favorite finger food to share – sweet or savory. On January 22, at 3:00 PM in the Sanctuary, guest speaker Sandy Helmick will be sharing what she learned in her personal research on retirement living options and care facilities.

A new **Young Adult (YA) Discussion Group** will meet Sundays during the 11:00 AM service, beginning December 7, 2014 in the Library. For those YA's out of high school but under 26, contact Ann at [reassociate@uucorvallis.org](mailto:reassociate@uucorvallis.org) for more information or drop in on Sundays. Anyone between ages 26-35 contact Ann if interested in being a part of an ongoing group.

**Insight Meditation:** continues on Fridays at 10:30 AM in room 7. Contact Mary Leigh Burke for more information at [maryleigh.burke@gmail.com](mailto:maryleigh.burke@gmail.com).

**The Circle that Reconnects** (formerly Resilience Circle) will adjourn until after the holidays. If there is sufficient interest we will reconvene in January. Questions? Comments? Contact Diana Vezmar-Bailey (541-740-9006; [di-anavb@inbox.com](mailto:di-anavb@inbox.com)).

### COMING IN THE WINTER TERM.....

**Walk with the Seasons:** Tuesdays, January 6 and 13, 4:00 to 6:00 PM or 7:00 to 9:00 PM. Please contact Anna Coffman for more information 978-760-0910, [anna@journey-home.net](mailto:anna@journey-home.net).

### Becoming Your Own Best Friend-- Refresher

January 31, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, for anyone who has taken the earlier workshop. Contact Alan Kirk [alankirk@comcast.net](mailto:alankirk@comcast.net) or Diana Vezmar-Bailey [di-anavb@inbox.com](mailto:di-anavb@inbox.com) to participate.

**Great Decisions** A foreign policy discussion is starting. Go to ([www.fpa.org/great\\_decisions](http://www.fpa.org/great_decisions)) for information. There is space for two to three more. The group meets Sundays, February 1<sup>st</sup> through March 29<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-8:30 PM. Contact Ruth Wyse at 503-394-3677 or [rwyse@smt-net.com](mailto:rwyse@smt-net.com) to join. Materials required.

**Compassionate Listening:** Mondays, January 19 through February 9, 7:00-9:00 PM. Contact Anna Coffman at 978-760-0910, [anna@journey-home.net](mailto:anna@journey-home.net) for more information.

**Leading From Spiritual Depth, Part 2** will be offered beginning in January for those who took part in the first session last year. Co-facilitators are Marcia Shaw and Diana Vezmar-Bailey. For information contact Marcia at 541-753-0536, [shawm@proaxis.com](mailto:shawm@proaxis.com).

### End of Life Workshops in February and March

The Caring Connection presents a three-session series on End of Life issues from 10:00 to 11:30 AM on Saturdays, February 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, and March 7<sup>th</sup>. Help is available if you have questions or are having trouble filling out the forms. Contact: Janet Farrell ([janetfar@comcast.net](mailto:janetfar@comcast.net)).

### The UUFC Women's Retreat

Your 2015 Retreat Committee is already at work planning exciting activities for next Fall. The Retreat will once again be held at Silver Falls and will not conflict with the Fall Festival weekend.

Please look for Retreat Committee members (Dianne Roth, Valery Herve, Traci Merritt, Karen Stephenson, Saloma Stopher, Janelle Walters, and Heather Emberson). We will have green ribbons on our UUFC name badges and are available to answer questions about the women's retreat. We look forward to hearing from you!

### Co-Ed Softball Team Players Sought

Concluding with a cheer of "let's have fun," men and women met last month to launch a co-ed UUFC softball team. They plan to begin practicing in the spring before playing in a Corvallis summer league May-July. Other people (all skill levels, age 18 and up are welcome) who have an interest in playing next year should contact Kyle Jansson at 503-838-2313 or [kjansson1@minetfiber.com](mailto:kjansson1@minetfiber.com)

### After Service Sermon Discussions

Are you interested in sharing responses to and thoughts about sermon topics? After-service discussions will begin on January 4, 2015 in the Gallery at 12:30 PM. If you are interested in facilitating the discussion on any Sunday, please contact Carolyn Madsen at [carolynzac@comcast.net](mailto:carolynzac@comcast.net) or Ann Mbacke at [reassociate@uucorvallis.org](mailto:reassociate@uucorvallis.org).

### Special Chalice Group on the Yoga Sutras

With recent services considering Hindu traditions and beliefs, this is an opportune time to begin a new Chalice Group with a focus on the Yoga Sutras of Patanjali. We plan to meet on weekends, time and place to be determined. If you are interested, contact Marcia Olsen at [Marcia.olsen29@gmail.com](mailto:Marcia.olsen29@gmail.com), or Peggy Stein at [peggystein@gmail.com](mailto:peggystein@gmail.com).



The next annual meeting of our Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) will take place June 24-28, 2015 in Portland. Folks from the UUFC who have attended previous GA's (General Assembly) have returned energized and excited. The four-day assembly includes worship, witness, workshops, great speakers, connect, and governance sessions. The UUFC sends 7 official delegates, and anyone interested may attend.

This year's theme is *"Building a New Way."* Start finding your way to attend. Maybe we can take a busload or two from the UUFC to join the crowd. For more information, visit <http://www.uua.org/ga/>

## Trustees to Adopt 2015 Goals this Month

It has been more than 50 years since the founders of the UUFC founders brought two Camp Adair barracks to our property on Circle Boulevard. It has been nearly 30 years since the congregation raised the funds to build the Fellowship Hall/Sanctuary and expand the classroom wing. Have our structural needs for space changed since then? What will our needs be in five, ten, twenty, years?

After discussing the UUFC mission statement, leadership and a host of topics, the Board has preliminarily decided that resolving how to move forward on space needs is its primary goal this year. The Board plans to finalize its goals at its December 8 meeting.

Many of the other preliminary goals relate to the space issue. They include:

- Conduct fact-finding to identify space issues. Openly provide the congregation with facts, trends and projections for space.
- Articulate the processes necessary to address the needs that are identified.
- Develop a plan that will best meet the vision and future space needs of the Fellowship.
- Create, assess, and share a *“Participants’ Guide to the UUFC”* to help members and friends understand our evolving Fellowship governance and decision-making processes, and identify how to engage in them.

In addition, the Board plans an administrative review to rebuild/redefine a business organizational structure to increase our ability to demonstrate/achieve the UUFC mission throughout the UUFC.

The Board will be forming task forces to work on the goals. If you are interested in being part of a task force, please contact UUFC president Kyle Jansson at 503-838-2313 or [kjansson1@minetfiber.com](mailto:kjansson1@minetfiber.com)

### Automatic External Defibrillator (AED)

The UUFC will be installing an AED soon. This device can be life-saving if someone collapses due to certain kinds of heart trouble (electrical, cardiac, arrhythmia). AEDs are designed for use by laypersons who are able to follow simple voice commands to apply the electrode pads. More Fellowship safety information about fire and evacuation will be posted on the UUFC web site.

## Are You a Guardian or a Caretaker?

It often seems easier to talk about sexuality than about money. We want openness and transparency in our relationships; why doesn't that apply to our financial lives and beliefs? Does keeping our financial matters "in the closet" serve us as we strive to live our Seven Principles?

Most of us have strong physical and emotional reactions about saving or spending money, based on assumptions developed through family and life experiences. Though individual differences are great, these reactions tend to fall along eight different patterns, or financial archetypes. By determining where we and our loved ones fit within that archetypal realm, we can become less reactive to others' behaviors and more balanced in our own. In other words, by examining the gifts and pitfalls of our archetypes, we can begin to start acting in financial situations rather than just reacting.

The Stewardship Committee is sponsoring an interactive and instructive 75 minute workshop on perspectives about our relationships to money, excerpted from *“The Money & Spirit Workshop”* by Spencer Sherman and Brent Kessel. Please join us on Sunday, January 11, from 12:30 to 1:45 PM. RSVP to Kathy Kopczynski ([KathyKZ@comcast.net](mailto:KathyKZ@comcast.net)) so enough materials can be produced.

### Brief congregational survey: Funding our mission, your input, please!

Thank you to all who participated in last year's pledge drive! Your Stewardship Committee is busy planning the 2015-16 pledge drive and we want to know how you prefer to engage with us about your pledge. Toward this end, please complete a very brief survey by December 7th (the survey closes at 11:45PM). It should only take you a minute or two to fill it out.

Please click on the following link to begin the survey [https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/UUFC\\_Stewardship](https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/UUFC_Stewardship). If you have any problems with this survey, please contact one of us. Thank you!

Your Stewardship Committee

*Virginia Shapiro (chair) 541-223-8859, Gerri Buckles, Uta Hussong-Christian, Monica Jacobson-Tennessee, Kathy Kopczynski, and Anna Sontag*

## Oregon UU Voices for Justice Annual Meeting Adopts Two UUFC Proposals

The Fifth annual meeting of Oregon UU Voices for Justice, a state-wide UU network, took place at UUFC on November 8. Two new task groups were formed, both proposed by UUFC members: one to work on a constitutional amendment to limit the power of corporations, and the other to address health care for all in Oregon.

The amendment group is dedicated to the goal of a U.S. constitutional amendment stipulating that corporations are not people with constitutional rights and that money is property, not speech. *Move to Amend* is a national body working on this goal, with 8 affiliates in Oregon, including Corvallis. For more information see <https://movetoamend.org/about-us>, or 2013 GA Action of Immediate Witness, <http://www.uua.org/statements/statements/288862.shtml>, or contact Karen Josephson (541-738-2872) or Rachel Ozretich (541-758-3221).

### December Sunday Special Collections: Community Outreach

Community Outreach is the recipient of our Sunday special collections this month. CO was founded in 1971 to provide hope and meet basic human needs for mid-Willamette Valley's homeless and poor by stabilizing those in crisis, feeding the hungry, housing the homeless, healing the sick, and counseling the mentally ill and substance addicted. Our contributions extend the warmth of a helping hand of love and support to those in need especially in the cold of winter. Info at: [www.communityoutreachinc.org](http://www.communityoutreachinc.org).

## UU Service Committee Holiday Cards

They are selling out!!! As of this writing one design is no longer available and two others are almost gone. Cards will be sold until December 14<sup>th</sup>. (Checks will be turned in after January 1<sup>st</sup> so please be patient as your checks probably won't clear till mid-January.)

You can join the UUSC and its 75 years working to promote human rights and social justice. Basic membership is \$40 and is tax-deductible. Join online at [www.uusc.org](http://www.uusc.org). Suggested membership donation for students or seniors is \$10-\$20. Gifts of \$125 or more are matched dollar for dollar by the UU Congregation at Shelter Rock in Manhasset, NY.

## UUFC Microfinance Loans

Since 2010, the UUFC Microfinance Committee has made over 200 loans, totaling more than \$17,000 including first loans and re-loaned monies from funds repaid. With a little over \$4000 as the revolving fund, we have sent help to people in more than 40 countries through our account with Kiva. Over 150 loans have been repaid, and 45 are in process. By spreading our funds over a larger number of loans, the level of loss (not just failure to repay, but also losses due to currency exchange fluctuations) is minimal—less than 1%—and even overdue payments (less than 5%) are small. The full value of each Kiva loan ranges from just a few hundred dollars to several thousand, which means it can take a while for a loan to be fully funded (many lenders designate \$25 to \$100+ per loan), so not all committed loans are actively repaid every month.

The purpose for loan funds ranges widely – help with building store stock, acquiring animals, payment of education fees, paying upfront for manufacturing supplies, and much more. Our loans have focused on food (29%), agriculture (27%), and retail (18%), with the rest split among other categories.

In order to support the work of Kiva, we make a small donation with each loan, so even if all the loans are repaid, we still need incoming funds to continue making loans. If you want to donate funds for the committee to invest, please contact chair Sandy Houtman. And watch for a fundraiser in the spring!

## Happy Holidays for Partner Church

The UUFC Partner Church Committee recently sent \$300 to our partner minister, Rev. Kati, for Christmas presents for all the children of the Unitarian Church of Kōrispatak, as we have for the more than fifteen years of our partnership. Every year the minister gives all the children useful gifts of books, pens, fruit, and some candy. Last year Rev. Kati said they gave presents to about 40 children. The UUFC helps brighten Christmas for many families.

We're sure that the Christmas trees in Kōrispatak are decorated with straw ornaments made in the village - and we will be selling some of these lovely handmade ornaments at the Holiday Bazaar. They are made by Unitarian women; each is a little original symbol of our partner village. Thanks for your support.

## Adopt a Highway Program

Our next quarterly pickup date is, Saturday, December 13, rain or shine.

UUFC has been participating in the Adopt-A-Highway program for about fifteen years. It is a quarterly commitment to pick up litter along the two miles of Philomath Blvd from 53rd Street to Philomath.

Ideally, eight people work in pairs with each pair picking up one approximately one mile. This usually takes about an hour and a half and can be a very social time. Meet in the NW parking lot of the 53rd Street BiMart at 9:00 AM. ODOT provides "grabbers", reflective vests and bags. A great opportunity for anyone 16 or older who needs community service hours.

For more info, or to help, contact Bob Ozretich (The Trash Tsar) at boboz@peak.org, or 541-758-3221.

## UUFC Winter Blood Drive – December 18

10:00 AM to 6:00 PM

The winter blood drive is almost upon us. It takes a small army of folks to make this important event a success. There are many ways and times you can help. We need people to help call and set up appoints.

The day of the blood drive day we'll need help with check in, and assisting people to and from the donation area. Can't make it during drive hours? You can drop off a snack the day before so we'll have lots of yummy things to serve the donors. And even if you're not interested/able to do any of these things - the thing we need most is UU donors. Did you know that every donation has the potential to impact 3 lives?!? Please consider being part of this important event. Contact Wendy Sutton 541-753-6931 [suttonw@science.oregonstate.edu](mailto:suttonw@science.oregonstate.edu)



## UUFC Holiday Bazaar

**See you there!**

**Saturday, Dec. 6, 2014 9:00 AM-3:00 PM**

A Fellowship holiday tradition: local artists and vendors, hand-tied holiday greens, homemade specialty foods – including sourdough breads, holiday pies and tarts, soup mixes and Cornish Pasties-- recycled-gifts at beautiful prices, raffle items, a café to share coffee/tea or lunch with friends, and more. Bring your friends!

**The Holiday Bazaar needs YOU!**

**BAKE!** Can you make beautiful breads or pies? If possible, make several to sell at the Baked Goods booth. Or **Fill a tin and bring it in--** of your favorite holiday goodies, that is. Gluten-free options will be appreciated. Contact Helen at 503-312-9543 or HDziuba@hotmail.com for more information.

**COOK!** We would like more specialty soups for the Café. Contact Debbie Hammerquist at 541-753-3963 or hammerquist02@q.com for guidelines.

**Join a Pasties work party:** Come help us make traditional and not-so-traditional Cornish Pasties for the Café and to sell. Final work party dates include: **Tuesday, December 2, 9:30 AM-3:00 PM**, and **Wednesday, December 3, 1:00 PM**

**Swags!** Bring your cut greenery and leave it on the deck for the swags makers to use on Friday, December 5 starting at 9:00 AM. Come at 9:00 AM with gloves and your creativity to help with swags.

**Volunteer!** We still need folks at the Baked Goods sales table, the raffle tickets table, and lots of helpers at the end of the day for clean-up and to move recycled gifts into the Social Hall for Sunday sales.

Contact Janey Gaventa at 541-753-4608 or [gaventaj@gmail.com](mailto:gaventaj@gmail.com) to sign up.

**Spread the word!** Watch Facebook and craigslist for information and photos about the local artists selling at the Bazaar, and look for information about the raffle items.

**Still have questions?**

Email [uuholiday.elves@gmail.com](mailto:uuholiday.elves@gmail.com)

**TELL all your friends!**

SUNDAY#	MONDAY#	TUESDAY#	WEDNESDAY#	THURSDAY#	FRIDAY#	SATURDAY#
#	1#	2#	3#	4#	5#	6#
#	4:00 Exercise/Aerobics# 7:00 Shawl Ministry#	9:30 AM-3:00 PM Cornish Pasties Work Party# 7:00 Community Choir Rehearsals# 7:00 Activist Training# 7:00 Worship Leader Training	1:00 Women's Lunch Bunch# 1:00 Gluten Free Pasty Making Party# 4:00 Exercise/Aerobics# 7:00 UUFC Choir Rehearsals#	8:00 AM Holiday Bazaar Kitchen Cleaning# 7:00 Program Council#	10:30 AM Insight Meditation	9:00 AM UUFC Holiday Bazaar# 
7#	8#	9#	10#	11#	12#	13#
11:00 AM Young Adult Group# 12:30 Partner Church Meeting# 12:45 PM RE Teacher Meeting	4:00 Exercise/Aerobics# 7:00 UUFC Board Meeting#	7:00 Stewardship Committee# 7:00 World Religions Class#	10:00 AM UUFC Staff Meeting# 1:00 Women's Lunch Bunch# 4:00 Exercise/Aerobics# 7:00 UUFC Choir Rehearsals# 7:00 Living with Loss#	7:00 Personnel Committee# 7:00 Dances of Universal Peace# 7:00 Transgender Group Meeting#	10:30 AM <u>Insight Meditation--CANCELLED</u> # 4:00 Exercise/Aerobics#	9:30 AM Men's Monthly Gathering# 3:00 Choir Concert Rehearsal#
14#	15#	16#	17#	18#	19#	20#
8:45 AM Drop-in Choir# 11:00 AM Young Adult Group# 3:00 Environmental Reading Circle# 3:00 Choir Concert#	6:00 Dining for Women# 7:00 Shawl Ministry# 7:00 Worship Committee#	3:00 Over 65 Group# 7:00 Stewardship Meeting# 7:00 World Religions Discussion#	1:00 Women's Lunch Bunch# 7:00 UUFC Choir Rehearsals# <u>Newsletter Deadline</u> # (for January 2015 Covering January 2015)#	10:00 AM Blood Drive#	10:30 AM Insight Meditation	7:00 Wheel of the Year Worship: Yule#
21#	22#	23#	24#	25#	26#	27#
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